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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. J. LEE RANKIN

SUBJECT: Changes in Secret Service Procedure since Assassination

As a result of our conference today with Mr. Kelly and Mr. Moore of the Secret Service, I was called by Mr. Kelly this afternoon. He informed me that the Secret Service has not changed its procedures since the assassination of President Kennedy except that President Johnson is now riding in a closed car. He informed me that no changes had been made in the deployment or arrangements of Secret Service personnel in the Presidential car contrary to the news reports that I had seen indicating that such was the fact. He did state that Secret Service was employing a few additional men in its protective measures.

At the meeting today you requested Mr. Kelly to supply you with all memoranda or other materials pertaining to studies or investigations made by the Secret Service subsequent to the assassination. You also asked, as I recall, that the Secret Service supply the Commission with a formal statement of their recommendations regarding improvements in measures designed to protect the President. You suggested that this Commission may wish to make in its formal report certain recommendations regarding the responsibility of the Secret Service which would enable the Secret Service to perform its job more effectively.

If you wish me to prepare a confirmatory letter to Mr. Rowley regarding this request, I will do so. Otherwise, I will make a note of this conference and check seven or ten days from now to see if any response has been received from Secret Service.

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Please prepare confirmatory letter.
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